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Interview Summary

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Applicant(s)

NAKAGAWA ET AL.

Examiner

Geoffrey Mruk

Art Unit

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All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

(1) Geoffrey Mruk.

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(2) Timothy D. MacIntyre.

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Date of Interview: 24 June 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference

c) ☐ Personal (copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: independent claims 1 and 4.

Identification of prior art discussed: Takeuchi et al. (US 5,475,279).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: The applicant argues Takeuchi does not teach the piezoelectric layer is made up of an aggregate of crystals, where zirconium oxide exists at a grain boundary between the crystals. The sections of Takeuchi relied upon describe the composition for the closure plate, not the piezoelectric layer. These arguments are persuasive. Applicant will file a formal response to the non final rejection dated 25 April 2008 and the examiner will update the search.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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/Stephen D Meier/, SPE

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